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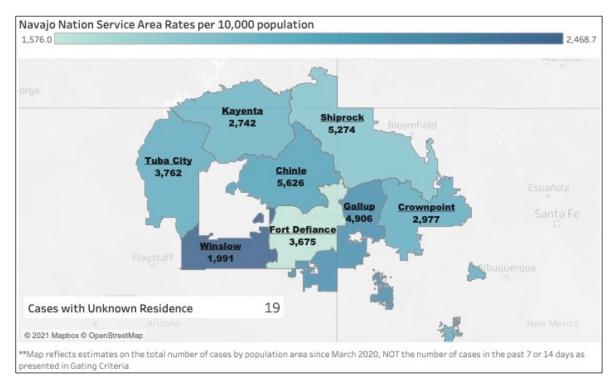
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5 new cases, 29,581 recoveries, and one recent death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported five new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths is now 1,347. The report indicates that 29,581 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 279,501 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,972.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 5,626

Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,977Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,675

Gallup Service Unit: 4,906

Kayenta Service Unit: 2,742
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,274
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,762
Winslow Service Unit: 1,991

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Tuesday, the state of Arizona reported 422 new cases, Utah reported 249, and New Mexico reported 100 cases.

"The Delta variant continues to spread in the United States, especially among populations with low vaccination rates. The COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective against the virus, but it does not guarantee that you will not get COVID-19. The vaccines are effective in reducing the symptoms and in many cases preventing deaths caused by the virus. So, it's very important that everyone continue to take precautions like wearing a mask in public, even after being fully vaccinated. The mask mandate remains in place for the entire Navajo Nation. We are not out of this pandemic yet, but we are making progress each day. Stay strong and keep praying for our frontline warriors and all of our people," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, please contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

"The more of our Navajo people who get vaccinated, the sooner we can further the process of reopening our Nation for our people and others. Our goal is to reach community immunity, but we still have a certain percentage of our people who have not received the COVID-19. The vaccines are available at all health care facilities across the Navajo Nation. Please be safe, take precautions, get vaccinated, and continue to pray," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will host an online town hall on Wednesday, June 23rd at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel to provide more COVID-19 updates.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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